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EVANSVILLE FELON CHARGED WITH POSSESSING A FIREARM

PRESS RELEASE

Indianapolis - Rodell D. Clark, 33, Evansville, Indiana, was indicted by a federal grand jury sitting in Indianapolis for possession of a firearm by a felon, announced Timothy M. Morrison, U.S. Attorney, Southern District of Indiana, following an investigation by the Bureau of Alcohol Tobacco Firearms and Explosives and the Evansville Police Department.

The Indictment alleges that on June 20, 2009, Clark possessed a firearm after he had sustained four separate felony convictions between 1993 and 1998 in Indiana.

According to Assistant U.S. Attorney Todd S. Shellenbarger, who is prosecuting the case for the government, Clark faces a maximum of 10 years in prison and a \$250,000 fine. It is also alleged that Clark is an armed career criminal. If Clark is found to be an armed career criminal, he faces an enhanced sentence of 15 years to life. An initial hearing will be scheduled before a U.S. Magistrate Judge in Evansville.

An indictment is only a charge and is not evidence of guilt. A defendant is presumed innocent and is entitled to a fair trial at which the government must prove guilt beyond a reasonable doubt.

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